

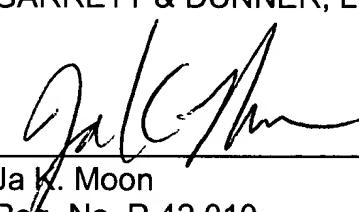
Applicants also amended claims 73 and 74 to recite the definition of the P45 protein rather than to rely upon the definition recited in claim 59.

To the extent any extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required to obtain entry of this Preliminary Amendment, such extension is hereby respectfully requested. If there are any fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which are not enclosed herewith, including any fees required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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